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SUBJ: CONTINUING MIXED SIGNALS ON PEKING PARTY COMMITTEE

1. AN NCNA REPORT ON THE FIRST PLENARY SESSION OF THE 5TH PEKING MUNICIPAL CHINESE PEOPLE'S POLITICAL CONSULTATIVE CONFERENCE MEETING (HELD NOV. 22-30) FURTHER MUDDIES THE WATERS CONCERNING THE STATUS OF POLITBURO MEMBER AND PEKING PARTY FIRST SECRETARY WU TEH.

2. THE REPORT, DATED DECEMBER 19 AND CARRIED IN THE DECEMBER 20 KWANGMING DAILY BUT NOT HTE PEOPLE'S DAILY, INDICATES THAT TING KUO-YU HAS BEEN ELEVATED TO PEKING MUNICIPAL PARTY THIRD SECRETARY. THE ELEVATION PER SE IS NOT SURPRISING SINCE TING, A FORMER AMBASSADOR, HAS BEEN IN DAY-TO-DAY CHARGE OF PEKING AFFAIRS FOR SEVERAL YEARS. BUT WHILE TING IS DESCRIBED WITH HIS PARTY AND GOVERNMENT (REVOLUTIONARY COMMITTEE VICE CHAIRMAN) TITLES AS IS PEKING MUNICIPAL REVOLUTIONARY COMMITTEE VICE CHAIRMAN AND PARTY SECRETARY CHENG TIEN-HSIANG, WU TEH AND NI CHIH-FU ARE BOTH DESCRIBED AS "RESPONSIBLE
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PERSONS" OF THE MUNICIPAL PARTY AND REVOLUTIONARY COMMITTEES.

3. COMMENT: LACKING THE RESOURCES FOR AN EXHAUSTIVE FILE SEARCH, WE CANNOT SAY WITH CERTAINTY IF THIS IS THE FIRST INSTANCE IN WHICH WU AND NI, THE FIRST AND SECOND SECRETARIES OF THE PEKING PARTY COMMITTEE, ARE MERELY DESCRIBED AS "RESPONSIBLE PERSONS" WHILE THEIR SUBORDINATES ARE LISTED

ACCORDING TO THEIR SPECIFIC TITLES. AT MINIMUM, HOWEVER,
WE FIND THE HANDLING OF THE TITLES PECULIAR AND SUSPECT THAT
IT REFLECTS CONTINUING UNCERTAINTY OVER THE STATUS AND
FUNCTIONS OF WU TEH.
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